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In Re Application of:

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For: **Communication System and Method Using Partially Non-Geographic Addressing Method for Forming Same**

AMENDMENT AFTER ALLOWANCE

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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.312, please enter the following amendments. It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required, beyond those, which may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, in the event that additional extensions of time are necessary to allow consideration of this paper, such extensions are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefor (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to deposit account no. 20-0778.

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AMENDMENTS

In the Written Description

The following is a marked-up version of the claims with the language that is underlined (“___”) being added and the language that contains strikethrough (“—”) being deleted:

For page 2, paragraph 13:

Also, in all three formats the last seven (7) bytes of the twenty (20) byte address comprises a six (6) byte end system identifier (or “ESI”) and ~~an~~ a one (1) byte selector (or “SEL”). Conventionally, the ESI is an IEEE 802 Media Access Control (or “MAC”) address. Incorporation of the MAC address into the AESA often simplifies the task of mapping AESAs into existing local area networks (or “LANs”). In a typical ATM system, the ESI of an end system is unique for a particular network prefix and is found in the ATM adapter card of the end system. The ESI and the network prefix combine to form a unique nineteen (19) byte address in the network.